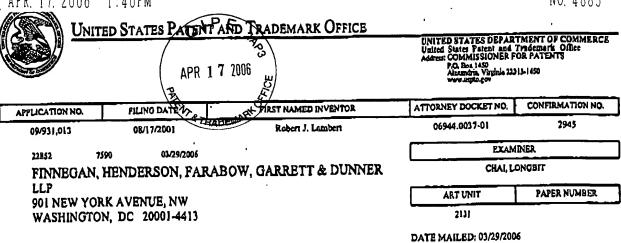
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VOLUNTARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to consideration by an Examiner, Applicant wishes to amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims: are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper,

Remarks: begin on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

<u>Listing of claims:</u>

- 1.-16. (cancel)
- 17. (new) A method of calculating the sum of a plurality of point-multiples in a cryptographic scheme, said point multiples including the multiplication of respective scalars and respective points on an elliptic curve, said method comprising the steps of:

for each said plurality of point-multiples, computing a table of small multiples, said small multiples representing the multiplication of values smaller than said scalars and said points;

simultaneously windowing said scalars while reviewing corresponding bits of said scalars from a most significant bit thereof to a least significant bit thereof;

for each window encountered during said windowing, adding a corresponding one of said small multiples from its respective table to an accumulator; and

performing a doubling operation of said accumulator at each bit where the current bit from at least one of said scalars is zero.

- 18. (new) A method according to claim 17 wherein prior to said step of computing said tables, said method comprising the step of recoding said scalars from a binary representation to a signed binary representation.
- 19. (new) A method according to claim 18 wherein said signed binary representation is a Non-Adjacent Form (NAF).
- 20. (new) A method according to claim 17 wherein said windowing comprises one of a sliding window and a fixed window.

- 21. (new) A method according to claim 17 comprising a pair of point multiples in a signature verification scheme.
- 22. (new) A method according to claim 17 wherein the size of said tables is determined according to said windowing.

REMARKS

Claims 1-16 are cancelled and new claims 17-22 are added. Support for new claims 17-22 can be found in paragraphs [0084] to [0099] of the present application as published. No new subject matter is believed to have been added by way of these amendments.

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